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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the  
above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.